

In Loving Memory of



Jane Rhodes-Simmons

Sunrise
June 24, 1957

Sunset
June 18, 2011

Thursday, June 23, 2011 - 12:00 Noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Rev. Dr. Edward R. Culvert, Officiating
Minister Tyrone Richardson, Organist

Obituary

Jane Lydia Rhodes-Simmons was born on June 24, 1957 at Harlem Hospital in New York City. She was the second child of the late Grady and Virginia Rhodes. Jane attended the public school system of NYC, graduating from Louis D. Brandeis High School. She received her Baccalaureate degree from the City College of New York.

Jane worked tirelessly as a Social Worker for twenty-two years with the City of New York and Administration of Children Services. She loved her job helping parents and children. Jane along with her family was raised in the Baptist denomination. She was a former member of Abyssinian Baptist Church in Harlem.

Jane met her husband, William Simmons, in the summer of 1977. They have been connected at the hip (as we all know!!) ever since. They enjoyed a wonderful life, traveling throughout the United States and cruising the Islands. They joined in Holy Matrimony on January 28, 2005.

Recently, upon her retirement from the City of New York in 2010, Jane and her husband, William found their new home in Owings Mills, MD. She was so proud that she made the move. She loved her new home, looking over the balcony watching the foxes and deer run through the forest. What a big difference from NYC life.

She leaves to mourn: her devoted husband, William; two sisters, Valerie of New York and Sharon of New York; one brother, Bernard (Candace) of New York; two nephews, Dasan and Coby of New York; three nieces, Cierra, Khayla and Kyrah of New York; one god brother, Gary of New York; two aunts, Mary Rutger of Bronx, NY and Irene Rhodes of Virginia; four sisters-in-law; one brother-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, grand nieces and grand nephews.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Eulogy

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



Interment

Fair Lawn Cemetery
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day.

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.

2352 8th Avenue • Manhattan, NY • (212) 666-8300
1406 Pitkin Avenue • Brooklyn, NY • (718) 774-1023
1018 Prospect Avenue • Bronx, NY • (718) 542-3833

Clifford V. James, V.P. & Gen. Mgr.

www.unityfuneralchapels.com

email: unityfc@aol.com

"Your Loved Ones Deserve The Best - Unity"